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THE VOTES AND DECLAARTION

OF THE

Lords and Commons in *Parliament*, *April* 26.

In Answer to the Kings Message, concerning the Passages at HULL, sent to the *Parliament*, *April* 24. MDCXLII.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, That these Votes shall be printed, and sent to the Sheriffs and Justices, to be published in all the Market towns, of the Counties of York and Lincoln.

John Brown Cler Parliament.

LIKEWISE

THE HUMBLE

PETITION

OF

The Gentry and Commons of the County of *Yorke*, presented to His Majesty at *Yorke*, April 22. 1642.

And His Majesties Message sent to the Parliament, April 24. 1642.

Concerning Sir *John Hotham's* Refusall to give His MAJESTY Entrance into *Hull*.

Printed for *John Wells*, 1642.

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Die Martis, April 26.

IT is declared by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, That the stopping of the passages between *Hul* & the Parliam. & the intercepting of Messengers imployed from the Parliament to *Hull*, or from any that are in the Service of the Parliament, or any Letters whatsoever sent by any to, or from the Parliament, is a high breach of the Priviledge of Parliament, which by the laws of this Kingdom, and the Protestation we are bound to defend with our Lives and our Fortunes, and to bring the Violator thereof to condigne punishment.

And hereby all Lords Lieutenants, and their Deputies authorised by the Ordinance of both houses of Parliament, all Sheriffs, Justices, Majors, Bayliffs, Constables, and other Officers whatsoever, are required to give their uttermost Aid and Assistance to all that are imployed in the said Service, for their better and more speedy free and safe Passage: And to apprehend all such as by colour of any Warrant or other Authority whatsoever, shall endeavor or go about to hinder any that are imployed about the same, and them to apprehend, and in safe custodie to send up to the Parliament.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons in Parliament, That this Declaration shall be forthwith Printed and Published.

Jo. Browne Cler. Parl.

To the Kings most excellent Majesty.

The humble Petition of the Gentry and Commons of the County of YORK.

MOST ROYALL SOVERAIGN,

ENcouraged by Your Majesties many Testimonies of your gracious goodnesse to Us and our County which we can never sufficiently acknowledge; We in all duty and loyalty of heart addresse our selves to Your sacred Majesty, beseeching you to cast Your eyes and thoughts upon the safety of Your own Person and Your Princely Issue, and this whole Country, a great means of which we conceive doth consist in the Arms and Ammunition at Hull, placed there by Your Princely care and charge, and since upon generall apprehension of dangers from Forreign parts represented to your Majesty, thought fit as yet to be continued. We for our parts, conceiving our selves to be still in danger, do most humbly

humbly beseech your Majesty that you will be pleased to take such course and order that your Magazine may still there remain, for the better securing of these and the rest of the Northern parts: And the rather because we think it fit, that that part of the Kingdome should be best provided where your Sacred Person doth reside, Your Person being like Davids, The light of Israel, and more worth then ten thousand of us,

Who shall daily pray, &c.

Die Martis 26. April 1642.

Resolved upon the Question.

THat Sir *John Hotham* Knight, according to this relation, hath done nothing but in obedience to the Command of both Houses of Parliament.

Resolved upon the question.

That this declaring of Sir *John Hotham* traitor, being a Member of the House of Commons, is a high breach of the priviledge of Parliament.

Resolved upon the question.

That this declaring Sir *John Hotham* Traitor without due processe of law is against the liberty of the Subject and against the law of this Land.

Ordered by the Lords and Commons that these Votes shall be printed, and sent to the Sheriffs and Justices of Peace to be published in all the Market townes of the Counties of York and Lincoln.

Jo. Brown Cler. Parl.

His

His Majesties Message sent to the Parliament, April 24. 1642.

HIs Majesty having received the Petition inclosed from most of the chief of the Gentry neer about York, desiring the stay of His Majesties Arms and Munition in his Magazine at *Hull*, for the safety (not only of his Majesties person and children, but likewise of all these Northern parts; The manifold Rumors of great dangers inducing them to make their said Supplication) thought it most fit to go himself in person to his Town of *Hull*, to view his Arms and Munition there, that therupon He might give Directions, what part therof might be necessary to remain there, for the security and satisfaction of his Northern Subjects, and what part therof might be spared for *Ireland*, the Arming of his Majesties Scots Subjects that are to go thither, or to replenish His cheefest Magazine to the

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Tower of *London*, where being come upon the 23. of this instant April, much contrary to his expectation, he found all the Gates shut upon him and the bridges drawn up, by the expresse Command of Sir *John Hotham* (who for the present commands a Garrison there) and from the Walls flatly denyed his Majesty Entrance into His said town, the reason of the said deniall being as strange to His Majesty, as the thing it self, it being, that he could not admit his Majesty without breach of Trust to his Parliaments which did the more-incense his Majesties anger against him, for that he most seditiously and ttayterously would have put his disobedience upon his Majesties Parlament, which His Majesty being willing to clear, demanded of him if he had the impudence to aver, that the Parliament had directed Him to deny His Majesty Entrance, and that if he had any such Order that he should shew it in writing; For otherwise his Majesty could not believe it, which he could no ways produce, but

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maliciously made that false interpretation according to his own inferences, confessing that he had no such positive Order, which his Majesty was ever confident of: But his Majesty not willing to take so much pains in vain, offered to come into that his Town with only 20. horse, finding that the main of his presence lay that His Majesties Train was able to command the Garrison: Notwithstanding, his Majesty was so desirous to go thither in a private way, that he gave warning therof but overnight; which he refusing, but by way of condition (which his Majesty thought much below him) held it most necessary to declare him traytor (unlesse upon better thoughts he should obedience) which he doubly deserved, aswell for refusing Entrance to his naturall Sovereign, as by laying the reason therof groundlesly and maliciously upon His Parliament.

One circumstance his Majesty cannot forget, that his Son the Duke of *York*, and his Nephew the Prince *Elector*, having gone

gone thither the day before, Sir *John Hotham* delayed the letting of them out to His Majesty till after some consultation.

Hereupon his Majesty hath thought it expedient to demand Justice of His Parliament against the said Sir *John Hotham*, to be exemplary inflicted on him according to the Laws, and the rather, because his Majesty would give them a fit occasion to free themselves of this imputation by him so injuriously cast upon them, to the end his Majesty may have the easier way for the chastising of so high a disobedience.

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